TOWN OF NORTHFIELD BOARD OF SELECTMEN Minutes of April 23, 2007

I. ROLL CALL: Selectboard Chair Melvin Adams, Selectmen Roger LeClair, Kenneth Johnson, Charles Morse and Gregory Sanders. Also present was Town Manager Nanci Allard.

Chair Adams called the meeting to order at 8:30 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **a.** April 9, 2007 (Regular Meeting). Motion by Selectman Morse, seconded by Selectman Johnson, to approve the minutes of April 9, 2007. **Motion passed 5-0-0.**
- **b.** April 12, 2007 (Special Meeting). Motion by Selectman Morse, seconded by Selectman LeClair, to approve the minutes of April 12, 2007. One correction: Selectman Sanders was not included in the Roll Call; he <u>was</u> present at the meeting. **Motion passed 5-0-0.**

III. APPROVAL OF BILLS

- **a. Warrant #21-07.** Motion by Selectman LeClair, seconded by Selectman Morse, to approve Warrant #21-07 in the amount of \$59,782.83. **Motion passed 5-0-0.**
- IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None.
- V. MANAGER'S REPORT
 - Status Reports: Various Projects. Manager Allard had nothing to add.

VI. SELECTBOARD

- a. 2007 Liquor License Renewal: Falls General Store. Motion by Selectman Johnson, seconded by Selectman LeClair, to renew the Second Class Liquor License for the Falls General Store. Motion passed 5-0-0.
- **b. Appointment of Grand Juror.** The Selectboard would like to interview each candidate at their next regular meeting, which is Monday, May 7, 2007. This meeting will take place at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.
- **c. Special Town Meeting Warning.** Chair Adams noted that this meeting will take place on Monday, May 14, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the Northfield High School's Mary Granai Corrigan Auditorium.
- **d. Merger Committee update.** The minutes of the last meeting (04/16/07) were in the packets.
- e. Status Reports: Various Projects.
 - Selectman Johnson stated he had an inquiry regarding the Town's Conflict of Interest Committee. The Board noted they had overlooked assigning someone to that Committee. Motion by Selectman Johnson, seconded by Selectman LeClair, to appoint Chair Adams to the Conflict of Interest Committee. Motion passed 5-0-0.
 - 2. The Town Manager and Board members received a letter from Christine Blake expressing concerns about water run-off from a culvert near her property on West Hill Road. Chair Adams asked the members of the Highway Subcommittee to look into this issue and report back to the Board.
- VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Non-agenda items. None.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

a. Legal Matter. Motion by Selectman Morse, seconded by Selectman LeClair, to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing a request by David Tucker that the Board negotiate a settlement regarding his assessed property valuation. **Motion passed 5-0-0.**

The Board went into executive session at 8:45 p.m.

Motion by Selectman Johnson, seconded by Selectman LeClair, to come out of executive session. **Motion passed 5-0-0.**

The Board came out of executive session at 8:55 p.m.

Motion by Selectman Morse, seconded by Selectman Sanders, to deny any adjustment to the David Tucker property and leave the valuation at \$154,770 and also deny any contribution toward filing fees for same. **Motion passed 5-0-0.**

b. Personnel Issue. Motion by Selectman Morse, seconded by Selectman Sanders, to go back into executive session to discuss a personnel issue. **Motion passed 5-0-0.**

The Board went into executive session at 9:03 p.m.

Motion by Selectman Johnson, seconded by Selectman Sanders, to come out of executive session. **Motion passed 5-0-0.**

The Board came out of executive session at 9:30 p.m.

Motion by Selectman Sanders, seconded by Selectman Johnson, to authorize Selectman Morse to coordinate and/or negotiate a minor personnel issue with an employee and bring back a recommendation to the full Board. **Motion passed 5-0-0.**

IX. ADJOURNMENT. Motion by Selectman Morse, seconded by Selectman Sanders, to adjourn. **Motion passed 5-0-0.**

The Board adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nanci Allard

Nanci Allard Acting Clerk